

**Amendments to the Specification**

Replace paragraph 0001 under "RELATED APPLICATIONS" on page 1 with:

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

This application is a U.S. National Stage Application filed under 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT patent application serial no. PCT/US2003/021973 filed on July 15, 2003, and claims the benefit of and priority to said PCT patent application serial no. PCT/US2003/021973.  
This application claims the benefit of and priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/396,536 entitled "Thermal Processing System" filed July 15, 2002 and U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/428,526 entitled "Thermal Processing System and Method for Using the Same" filed November 22, 2002, both of which are hereby incorporated herein in their entirety.